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TELEPHONE FACILITIES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Bihar provided with Telephone and STD facilities, district-wise;

(b) the number of villages yet to be provided with these facilities;

(c) the date by which all these facilities will be provided in all villages of Bihar; and

(d) the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) 37,051 villages have already been provided with telecom facility in Bihar as on date. District-wise details are given inthe enclosed Annexure. STD facility is available in all the exchanges and can be provided to customers custodians of VPTs on demand by them.

(b) to (d): All the remaining 1,424 uncovered villages are likely to be provided with telecom facility by December 2002 subject to availability of custodians for Village Public Telephones (VPTs).

ANNEXURE

Number of villages in Bihar provided with Telephone

Name of District	No. of Villages with Telephones
Buxer	808
Bhojpur	988
West Champaran	1335
Banka	1518
Bhagalpur	998
Chapra	1555
Gopalganj	1371
Siwan	1428
Darbhanga	1063
Madhubani	1029
Arwal	383
Aurangabad	1654
Jahanabad	421
Gaya	2464
Nawada	475
Vaishali	1400
Katihar	1184
Araria	598
Purnia	1028
Kishenganj	712
Khagaria	241
Begusarai	686
East Champaran	1275
Munger	504
Jamui	1240
Lakhisarai	344
Sheikhpura	224
Muzaffarpur	1702
Sheohar	177
Sitamarhi	771

Patna	1284
Nalanda	999
Saharsa	430
Supaul	502
Madehpura	366
Samastipur	1061
Sasaram	1652
Bhabhua	1181
Grand Total	37051